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## **Amendment**

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 124

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## "AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEDICAL USE OF MARIJUANA."

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2005) (a) For the purposes of this section, "qualifying patient" means a person who is eighteen years of age or older and has been diagnosed by a physician as having (1) cancer, glaucoma, positive status for human immunodeficiency virus or acquired immune deficiency syndrome, or the treatment of any such conditions, including, but not limited to, chemotherapy, (2) a chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition, or the treatment thereof, that produces one or more of the following: (A) Cachexia or wasting syndrome; (B) severe pain; (C) severe nausea; (D) seizures; or (E) severe and persistent muscle spasms, or (3) any other medical condition approved by the Department of Public Health, pursuant to regulations that the Commissioner of Public Health may adopt, in

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accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, in response to a request from a physician or potentially qualifying patient.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any qualifying patient may possess and use the delivery system for medical marijuana, known as Savic, that the qualifying patient has obtained by prescription in Canada. No such qualifying patient shall be subject to any criminal prosecution or other penalty for such possession and use."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2005	New section